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APPENDIX 3B - EXERCISE OF OPTIONS

Please see attached copy of an announcement released to the Australian Stock Exchange this afternoon.

Yours sincerely

HELEN GOLDING

Company Secretary/Group Legal Counsel

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28 March 2003

Mr Graham Gates Announcements Officer Australian Stock Exchange Limited Exchange Centre 20 Bridge Street SYDNEY NSW 2000

Dear Mr Gates

APPENDIX 3B - EXERCISE OF OPTIONS

I enclose Appendix 3B (New issue announcement, application for quotation of additional securities and agreement) in respect of 990,310 Ordinary Shares issued pursuant to the exercise of 990,310 Options. The exercise price for the exercise of Options was paid in Following allotment and approval of quotation the quoted securities of the Company will be:-

1,411,430,549 ordinary shares fully paid (BPC) 797,381,828

converting preference shares fully paid (BPCPA)

620,811,106 options expiring 14 August 2003 exercisable at 20 cents (BPCO)

Yours sincerely

HELEN GOLDING Company Secretary

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Name of entity

Burns, Philp & Company Limited

Rule 2.7, 3.10.3, 3.10.4, 3.10.5

Appendix 3B

New issue announcement, application for quotation of additional securities and agreement

Information or documents not available now must be given to ASX as soon as available. Information and documents given to ASX become ASX's property and may be made public.

Introduced 1/7/96. Origin: Appundix 5. Amended 1/7/98, 1/9/99, 1/7/2000, 30/9/2001, 11/3/2002.

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We	(the entity) give ASX the following i	nformation.
	rt 1 - All issues	
1	*Class of *securities issued or to be issued	Ordinary Shares
2	Number of *securities issued or to be issued (if known) or maximum number which may be issued	990,310
3	Principal terms of the *securities (eg, if options, exercise price and expiry date; if partly paid *securities, the amount outstanding and due dates for payment; if *convertible securities, the conversion price and dates for conversion)	The terms of the ordinary shares are set out in the Company's Constitution.

⁺ See chapter 19 for defined terms.

4 Do the *securities rank equally in all respects from the date of allotment with an existing *class of quoted *securities?

Yes

If the additional securities do not rank equally, please state:

- the date from which they do
- the extent to which they participate for the next dividend, (in the case of a trust, distribution) or interest payment
- the extent to which they do not rank equally, other than in relation to the next dividend, distribution or interest payment
 - \$0.20 per ordinary share for the exercise of Options.

6 Purpose of the issue (If issued as consideration for the acquisition of assets, clearly identify those assets)

Issue price or consideration

Issued upon the exercise of 990,310 Options (ASX Code BPCO).

7 Dates of entering *securities into uncertificated holdings or despatch of certificates

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Number and *class of all *securities quoted on ASX (including the securities in clause 2 if applicable)

Number		+Class	
(a)	1,411,430,549	(a) Ordinary Shares	
(b)	797,381,828	(b) Converting Preference Shares	
(c)	620,811,106	(c) Options	
Nun	ber	†Class	
Nil			

9 Number and *class of all *securities not quoted on ASX (including the securities in clause 2 if applicable)

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10	Dividend policy (in the case of a trust, distribution policy) on the increased capital (interests)	Not applicable	
Part 2 - Bonus issue or pro rata issue			
11	Is security holder approval required?	Not applicable	
12	Is the issue tenounceable or non-renounceable?	Not applicable	
13	Ratio in which the *securities will be offered	Not applicable	
14	*Class of *securities to which the offer relates	Not applicable	
15	*Record date to determine entitlements	Not applicable	
16	Will holdings on different registers (or subregisters) be aggregated for calculating entitlements?	Not applicable	
17	Policy for deciding entitlements in relation to fractions	Not applicable	
18	Names of countries in which the entity has *security holders who will not be sent new issue documents Note: Security holders must be told how their entitlements are to be dealt with. Cross reference: rule 2.7.	Not applicable	
19	Closing date for receipt of acceptances or renunciations	Not applicable	
20	Names of any underwriters	Not applicable	
21	Amount of any underwriting fee or commission	Not applicable	
22	Names of any brokers to the issue	Not applicable	

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23	Fee or commission payable to the broker to the issue	Not applicable
24	Amount of any handling fee payable to brokers who lodge acceptances or renunciations on behalf of *security holders	Not applicable
25	If the issue is contingent on security holders' approval, the date of the meeting	Not applicable
26	Date entitlement and acceptance form and prospectus or Product Disclosure Statement will be sent to persons entitled	Not applicable
27	If the entity has issued options, and the terms entitle option holders to participate on exercise, the date on which notices will be sent to option holders	Not applicable
28	Date rights trading will begin (if applicable)	Not applicable
29	Date rights trading will end (if applicable)	Not applicable
30	How do *security holders sell their entitlements in full through a broker?	Not applicable
31	How do *security holders sell part of their entitlements through a broker and accept for the balance?	Not applicable
32	How do *security holders dispose of their entitlements (except by sale through a broker)?	Not applicable
33	*Despatch date	Not applicable

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		- Quotation of securities omplete this section if you are applying for quotation of securities
34	Type of tick o	of securities ne)
(a)	\checkmark	Securities described in Part 1
(b)		All other securities
		Example: restricted securities at the end of the escrowed period, partly paid securities that become fully paid, employee incentive share securities when restriction ends, securities issued on expiry or conversion of convertible securities
Entities that have ticked box 34(a)		
		ecurities forming a new class of securities l securities do not form a new class, go to 43)
Tick to docume		e you are providing the information or
35		If the "securities are *equity securities, the names of the 20 largest holders of the additional *securities, and the number and percentage of additional *securities held by those holders
36		If the *securities are *equity securities, a distribution schedule of the additional *securities setting out the number of holders in the categories 1 - 1,000 1,001 - 5,000 5,001 - 10,000 10,001 - 100,000 100,001 and over

A copy of any trust deed for the additional *securities

(now go to 43)

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Entities that have ticked box 34(b)			
38	Number of securities for which quotation is sought		
39	Class of *securities for which quotation is sought		
40	Do the *securities rank equally in all respects from the date of allotment with an existing *class of quoted *securities? If the additional securities do not rank equally, please state: • the date from which they do • the extent to which they participate for the next dividend, (in the case of a trust, distribution) or interest payment • the extent to which they do not rank equally, other than in relation to the next dividend, distribution or interest payment		
41	Reason for request for quotation now Example: In the case of restricted securities, end of restriction period (if issued upon conversion of another security, clearly identify that other security)		
42	Number and *class of all *securities quoted on ASX (including the securities in clause 38)	Number	*Class

(now go to 43)

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All	entities		
Fees			
13	Payment method (tick one)	Not applicable. Under Listing Rule 16.4 no fee is payable where an entity is seeking quotation of shares following the conversion of quoted securities.	
	Cheque attached		
	Electronic payment made Note: Payment may be made electronic	Electronic payment made Note: Payment may be made electronically if Appendix 3B is given to ASX electronically at the same time.	
		Periodic payment as agreed with the home branch has been arranged Note: Arrangements can be made for employee incentive schemes that involve frequent issues of securities.	

Quotation agreement

- ^{*}Quotation of our additional *securities is in ASX's absolute discretion. ASX may quote the *securities on any conditions it decides.
- We warrant the following to ASX.
 - The issue of the *securities to be quoted complies with the law and is not for an illegal purpose.
 - There is no reason why those *securities should not be granted *quotation.
 - An offer of the *securities for sale within 12 months after their issue will not require disclosure under section 707(3) or section 1012C(6) of the Corporations Act.

Note: An entity may need to obtain appropriate warranties from subscribers for the securities in order to be able to give this warranty

- Section 724 or section 1016E of the Corporations Act does not apply to any applications received by us in relation to any *securities to be quoted and that no-one has any right to return any *securities to be quoted under sections 737, 738 or 1016F of the Corporations Act at the time that we request that the *securities be quoted.
- We warrant that if confirmation is required under section 1017F of the Corporations Act in relation to the *securities to be quoted, it has been provided at the time that we request that the *securities be quoted.

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- If we are a trust, we warrant that no person has the right to return the *securities to be quoted under section 1019B of the Corporations Act at the time that we request that the *securities be quoted.
- 3 We will indemnify ASX to the fullest extent permitted by law in respect of any claim, action or expense arising from or connected with any breach of the warranties in this agreement.
- We give ASX the information and documents required by this form. If any 4 information or document not available now, will give it to ASX before *quotation of the *securities begins. We acknowledge that ASX is relying on the information and documents. We warrant that they are (will be) true and complete.

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Date: 28 March 2003

Sign here:

(Director/Company secretary)

Print name: HELEN GOLDING